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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend Paragraph [0022] as follows:

[0022] The present invention also facilitates real time purchase request management by a seller. The Data Center system provides the seller at least a second Hypertext Markup Language (HTML) page with which to directly access its exclusive database region. The direct and immediate access enables the seller to be immediately notified of newly create purchase requests along with any other seller information stored in its exclusive database region. The immediate notification and direct database access enables the seller to efficiently manage its purchase requests.

Please amend Paragraph [0121] as follows:

[0121] The dealer 904 may access the Data Center system through the network 102 and the gateway 110. The dealer 904 remotely accesses the Data Center system over the network 102 by providing a <u>Universal Resource Locator (URL)</u> to identify the Data Center system. Dealers advantageously access the Data Center by providing a <u>URL</u> and preferably not over the world wide web. Thus, access to the the Data Center system may advantageously be restricted to those who know the <u>URL</u> and is not as readily reachable by web search engines. Thus, the <u>URL for the buyer to access the system is advantageously HTTP://www.autobytel.com and the <u>URL for the Dealer site, called Dealer RealTime (or DRT), may advantageously be HTTP://drt.autobytel.com.</u></u>